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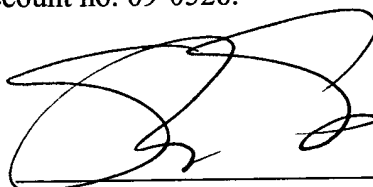
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It is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial and return copies of the enclosed PTO-1449 and to indicate in the official file wrapper of the above-identified patent application that each item of the cited information has been considered.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p), a check in the amount of \$180.00 is enclosed to cover the filing fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to account no. 09-0528.

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37 CFR 1.97(e) CERTIFICATION

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Sir:

This certification is being submitted, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.97, with the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement enclosed herewith. Each reference cited by the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office regarding a related foreign application. The communication from the foreign patent office was not received more than three months prior to the submittal of this certification.

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